SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

November 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



November 6
8:45am Mass- 5C

November 11
Picture Re-takes

November 13
8:45am Mass- 4C

November 15-21
Discover Catholic Schools Week

November 20
8:45am Mass- 4L
Trimester Ends

November 23-24
Pre-K-5th Grade Parent Teacher Conferences

November 25-30
No School-Thanksgiving break

For the safety and security of all students and staff, school Masses are closed to the public. Parents, guardians, and family members may only attend if they have received a specific invitation from a teacher due to their student's direct participation. Thank you for helping us maintain a safe school environment.

A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Gausman

Dear SCLS Families,
It's hard to believe October is already behind us! As we head into November, I'm grateful for our wonderful school community. We have so much to be thankful for at St. Catherine's, and I hope you know how much I appreciate the many ways you help make our school so special.

October was a busy month! One highlight was our Grandparents' Rosary on October 23, which brought more than 200 grandparents and special friends together with our students in prayer. What a meaningful way for families to share their faith across generations and spend some special time together!

Our younger students enjoyed a visit from Fr. Coyle, who blessed their stuffed animals. We also welcomed the Swatara Township Fire Department, who brought their fire trucks and shared important fire safety lessons.

Our eighth graders continue to do a terrific job leading the Royal News Network (RNN), beginning each day with prayer, the Saint of the Day, birthday wishes, and announcements. They've also been helping with afternoon dismissal. It's great to see them taking on leadership responsibilities and setting a positive example for our younger students.

We're excited to welcome four new students to SCLS in November! I know our students and families will help make our newest Royals feel right at home.

November promises to be another busy month. Our seventh and eighth graders will visit the Holocaust Museum, and some of our students will represent SCLS at the first annual Diocesan STREAM Competition. We'll also celebrate Discover Catholic Schools Week, November 16-20, with an Open House on November 19. If you know a family who might be interested in St. Catherine's, please encourage them to visit! On November 20, we'll gather for a special prayer service honoring our patroness, St. Catherine Labouré. We'll also complete our first trimester and hold parent-teacher conferences for our younger students before Thanksgiving break.

As we focus on giving thanks this month, I want to express my gratitude to our teachers and staff for all they do for our students, and to our families for the countless ways you support our school. On a personal note, I also want to thank the many families who reached out with kind words, prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy following the passing of my father. Your thoughtfulness and support have meant more to me than you know. This experience has reminded me how fortunate I am to be part of such a caring and compassionate community.

I often say that what makes St. Catherine's special is the people, and I truly believe that. Thank you for being such an important part of our school family.
Wishing you and your families a wonderful November and a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

Warmly,
Suzanne Gausman

Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, please email information to Erinparrish15@gmail.com

A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Jessica Marinak

Dear SCLS Families,

October flew by! We had so much fun this past month. The stuffed animal blessings were so sweet, and the Grandparents' Rosary was beautiful as always—it was wonderful to see everyone. The Halloween parties were a huge success, and our middle schoolers had a great time at their dance. Thank you to all our incredible SCLS parents for your time and donations.

We also hosted our first coffee stand, Morning Buzz! Thank you to everyone who stopped by and bought drinks for the cars behind them.

Additionally, thank you to everyone who helped make our new sub fundraiser a success. The PTO truly appreciates your support.

We aren't slowing down! November brings lots of planning for exciting December events. Please be on the lookout for details about our upcoming holiday events.

Jessica Marinak

PTO Executive Board

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November 19
Julie Delaney

November 20
Sondra Kenny

November 28
Priscilla Forry

November 30
Desiree Greene



VOLUNTEER CLEARANCES

Saint Catherine Labouré Parish is very committed to ensuring that all of our volunteers who provide care, supervision, guidance or control, and have routine interaction with children receive the proper training and clearances according to Harrisburg Diocesan Policy.

ALL volunteers at St. Catherine Laboure school require clearances, *prior* to any involvement with youth. If you are hoping to volunteer in any way this year, please take the time now to complete the process to obtain a youth protection badge. The PTO will not be able to allow any volunteers (if we reach a point where volunteers are allowed into the school building this year) at school functions if they do not have up-to-date clearances. If you are new and need to complete the process or you have had your clearances expire, please visit the website below:
https://sclhbg.org/parish/obtainyouthprotectionbadge/

Please note that ALL forms must be reviewed and approved by the Harrisburg Diocese prior to an individual being granted a valid youth protection badge.

PTO Fundraisers for this year...



Ready to show some SCLS spirit?
Start the school year off right with
SCLS Spirit Wear!

We are excited to announce our Spirit Wear online store is open and will remain open all year!
Link!

Also, see the order form at the end of the newsletter for the bulk Spirit Wear PTO has available at school.

PTO POWERHOUSE SUB SALE

Thank you so much to all who participated! Total profit for the SCLS PTO was $1,535.75.

Thank you for your support!



Thank you to everyone who made our first Morning Buzz a success! The total profit was $127!

USED UNIFORM sale

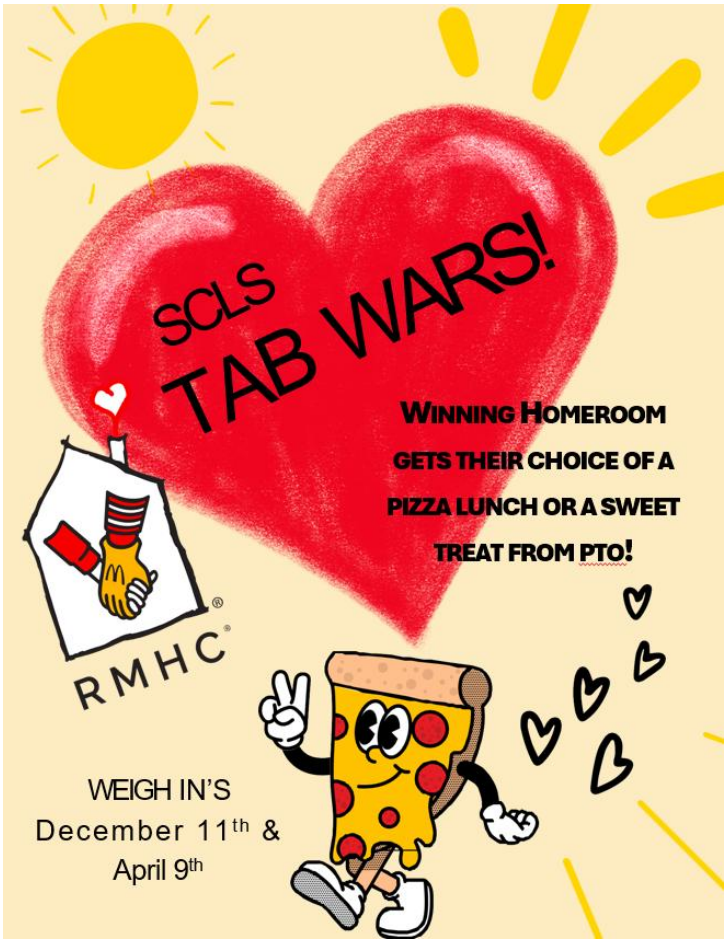
November 8th, 8:30-11am school cafeteria!

Please enter and exit through the NARTHEX DOORS and follow the signs to the cafeteria!

If you have uniforms to donate, please drop them off at the school office during school hours. Please include a note with your name and a list of your items if you'd like credit for a future sale!

PTO Needs You!!!

Are you interested in being a part of the PTO? We need help to make all our fundraisers and activities happen each year. If you are interested and want to learn more, please send an email to pto@sclhbg.org and let us know any questions you have.



St. Catherine Laboure School Athletic Association Update

For the most up to date information, please join our Facebook page: SCLS *Athletic Association*.





Early Bird Discount for 2026-2027 Yearbook Orders

We know the school year is just underway, but we are looking to the future and working on a wonderful keepsake for our students and staff - the 2026-27 SCLS Yearbook.

The SCLS yearbook can be purchased through the link below.

Josten's is offering a Back-To-School Special, if you order by Sept 12, you can receive a discount on personalization of the cover. Please see the flyer for details.

Please enjoy some photos from our Halloween Parade and Middle School Dance!

Thank you to everyone for making them a success!























Grandparent's Rosary













SCLS
Royal Hearts Fund

2026-2027

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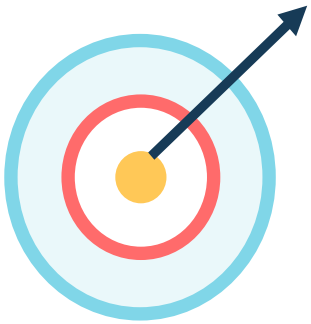
STUDENTS SHINE!

Please donate today and help us reach our goal!

OUR GOAL

$100,000

Every gift moves us closer!



YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES AN IMPACT

SUPPORTS
Our school

INSPIRES
Our students

STRENGTHENS
Our community

All proceeds go directly to our school and our students.

DONATE HERE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Spirit WEAR

PTO is selling Spirit Wear items!

To order, please fill out and clip the bottom of this flyer and send it into the school office with cash or check (made out to SCLS PTO). You can also pay via Venmo - @sclspto. Quantities are limited – first come, first served!



Cinch Sack - $10



Magnet - $5



Water bottle - $13



Baseball hat - $20



Lanyard - $5

Name:_____Homeroom:_____

Contact Phone Number:_____

Please enter the quantity requested on the line

Baseball Hat:_____($20 each) Magnets:_____($5 each)

Cinch Sacks:_____($10 each) Water Bottles:_____($13 each)

Lanyard:_____($5 each) Total: $_____